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## Galaxy Quest

Kylie Cheek works with her Summer Reading Program students, last week, assisting them in creating their very own galaxies. The Program is free for children, and the theme this summer is Space.

photos by Tamara Collins

## Parking Study reveals problem

by Tamara Collins

Didsbury's downtown parking situation has been questioned for some time, so Town council decided to have a parking study done to help them, and residents, to understand if parking really is a problem in town, and the results are in.

The study included an inventory of available parking lots in the downtown core, an assessment of available parking during various times of the day and of the week, a survey of business owners, tenants and building owners in the downtown area, an analysis of possible solutions to the lack of parking and a provision of costs relative to the proposed solutions. The areas included in the study are 15 Ave. to 24 Ave., and from 20 St. to 21 St.

"The outcome of the parking study has been very informative," said Dorothy Moore, mayor.

"We partly want to facilitate the business owners and workers to have an alternate place

to park so street parking can be utilized by customers."

Within the study the Town heard from the Didsbury Chamber of Commerce, who admitted they would like to see the two hour parking limit, on the main streets downtown, enforced.

"We want to make sure this would be a positive move," said Moore. "Enforcement, to this point, has been done on a complaint basis, and to change that we needed to know that there was complete support from the business community."

The parking problem downtown is contributed, in the study, to people parking all day in high traffic locations more than a problem with not enough parking spaces.

"We plan to provide unrestricted parking in some areas and parking lots and begin with just the downtown core for two-hour enforcement rather than on a complaint basis," said Moore. "The signage will also be improved."

To solve the problem council has some recommendations to

consider such as encouraging more people to walk or bike ride to work, and to go along with this, add two to three new bike racks in the downtown area. Other recommendations include business owners encouraging staff to use the staff parking provided for them, even when just running in and out, and help customers understand it may not be a reasonable expectation to be able to park right in front of the store or business you are visiting.

Council would also like to inform the public that the property north of the Credit Union is not owned by the Town, therefore is unavailable for the development of Town owned parking spaces.

Council would like to encourage people to continue to communicate with them, throughout the process.

"We intend to ensure that what we do is what the residents and business owners told us they value," said Moore.

"The goal is to have a lot of people coming and going in the

downtown area and this seems to be the way people want us to accomplish that goal."

A long term initiative council decided, is to instruct administration to do a long term study relative to the parking needs of the community within the downtown core and then council must make the decisions relative to possible "cash-in-lieu" policies, staff and customer parking requirements for new buildings and/or Town provided parking lots.

Council was very impressed with the response they received from the survey that was sent out to local businesses. Out of the 81 surveys sent out, they received 65 responses, 80.2%.

"This issue was obviously a hot button, I don't know of any survey with such a great response," said Moore. "Council is committed to ensuring there is enough parking in the downtown area and we will be looking at all the options."

You can pick up a copy of the parking study at the Town office.



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## NEWS

## Town CAO fired

Complaint  
filed against  
Town

Brian Irvine

by Tamara Collins

Brian Irvine is still shaking his head in disbelief after Didsbury Town council relieved him from his CAO (Chief Administrative Officer) duties on July 19, at a special council meeting.

Irvine had just come back to work after a three month disability leave after hurting his back in Edmonton last fall.

The morning before he

was let go, according to Irvine he was walking down the sidewalk with two co-workers and he fell off the sidewalk.

"The sidewalk just was not there, it was crumbled away and I stepped into it not knowing and fell over," said Irvine. "My back was injured again, it set things back substantially."

Irvine was not sure if the accident would cause him to need more time off, because it was still too soon to tell.

"That day I asked council if I could meet with them regarding discrimination issues. I felt some things they did raised my concern. The next day they fired me," said Irvine. "They gave reasons, one of them was I gave a raise to someone they felt did not deserve it," said Irvine. "They are trying to find fault when I am struggling with an injury, and they wanted me to keep going. I left work many times in severe agony, before going on leave. They wanted me to work those 10 months, so I did, then they criticized me for it."

Irvine feels he was let go unfairly, and that he is not ruling out legal action.

"I have filed a complaint with the Alberta Human Rights Commission," said Irvine. "I am severely disappointed. I would share with them (Council) how much pain I was in, and I struggled so hard to come back."

Irvine worked as CAO for

the Town for almost two years.

"Council made this decision based on what is best for the Town of Didsbury," said Roy Brown, Town Interim CAO. Didsbury mayor Dorothy Moore said this is

a personnel matter and it would be inappropriate for them to comment.

"I haven't done anything wrong," said Irvine. "I hold my head up high."

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## County's corporate review released

The outcome of the much anticipated \$50,000 corporate review of Mountain View County by George Cuff and Associates was made public to a full house last Tuesday.

On July 26 over 140 residents piled into the new council chambers at the County's administration building to hear the words from the horse's mouth, as Cuff himself gave a thorough overview of the work his company has done.

For the past four months Cuff and three of his associates who came into the County tried to figure out ways that the County could operate more efficiently.

"Our process included a review of a whole bunch of background material; we have interviewed all members of council, all members of senior staff, a cross section of the organization after the senior staff, a one day training with council as to their roles and responsibilities (among other things)," Cuff said.

Cuff put forward a report, which consists of over 160 pages, with 62 recommendations which he suggests council should have in place within 120 days.

Some of those ideas were: having the reeve as an elected position, having six divisions - rather than seven, getting rid of individual divisional budgets, and hiring more senior staff.

Cuff admits that the hottest issue that Mountain View County has been faced with was the construction of the new administration building; which he believes is the reason he was hired to come in and do a corporate review.

"It's obvious the review came from somewhere. In this case the review started because of the controversy relating to the decision by the previous council to proceed with the building of the new County office," Cuff said. "We are now in the office. The question is, 'How was that issue handled?'"

Cuff criticized former councillors and even the current council for not communicating the process of what stages the building was at.

Cuff says that if anything was learned from the whole building issue, it is that communication needs to be increased drastically.

"The County is well aware of its need to effectively communicate with its residents. The council and administration recognize that one of the key lessons learned as a result of the building debate was that in the absence of fair and reasonable communication of all of the issues as they arose, the rumor mill focused on the misinformation and councils seeming lack of openness," Cuff wrote in his report.

One of the biggest areas that needs to be improved are the relationships between staff and council, as Cuff says despite them being two separate parts of the County's cor-

poration - they need to work as a team to get the job done.

"There has been an uneasy relationship between council as a whole and parts of its administration. You have individuals on council who don't necessarily share the same views in terms of what is happening at the senior level of the organization. We need departments that work together, we need staff that work together, and we need a council that works in harmony with its administration. This is a part of one team. Council has to see its administration as part of the same team that they operate and provide leadership. There needs to be a good relationship between council and the CAO," Cuff said, adding that administration needs to allow council to seek advice when they feel they need to. "There needs to be a sense of independence by council so that council can be on their own when they want to be, discuss things, and council can seek advice of external consultants, lawyers, auditors, and so on to get access to advice over and above what they get from their own administration."

Cuff also pointed that councillors need to learn what their roles are exactly, and one of their goals is not the management of the corporation.

"(When council was first elected, to me I think they) thought its job was to manage the corporation. That's not its job. Its job is to govern," Cuff said.

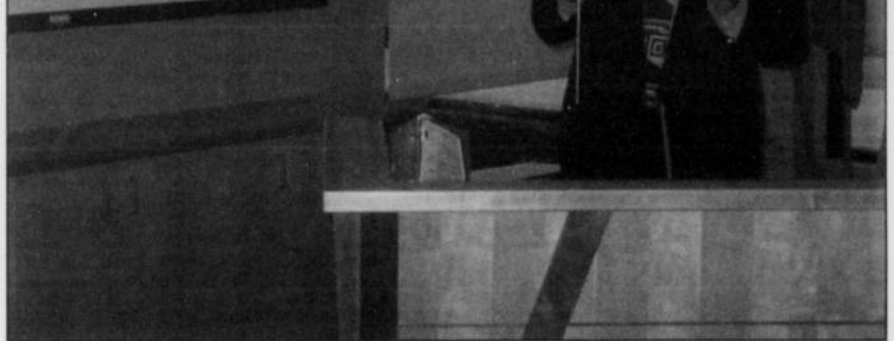
Cuff also pointed out that despite past members of the Mountain View Taxpayers Association, stepping down prior to being elected to council; some were seeking office for personal reasons - which Cuff says are the wrong reason to want to serve on council.

Cuff says that one thing that needs to be resolved in the very near future is council's ability to work with their administration. In one of his summaries he wrote: 'Until this council either confirms its support for their senior administration or makes whatever changes council deems necessary, this struggle will continue to hinder council's ability to govern correctly.'

"The people that run for office and get involved in elected life, because they have a major concern, have just done the wrong thing. You have more freedom as an individual resident, than you do as a member of council. The (Municipal Government) Act is quite clear. It sets out conflict of interest legislation and says, 'If you're involved in those types of behavior' you're in danger of being taken to the court and being tossed off council. And, it has happened in Alberta in recent days. It's not a question of - can it happen - it will happen," Cuff said.

Cuff also pointed out that

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Priorities Committee  
Council meet unless there  
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ring, and the CAO or  
is in attendance  
Mountain View County



George Cuff presents the County Corporate Review to County council, and an audience of over 140 people.

if someone is in conflict of interest with a particular issue they should not only step out away from the council table, but completely out of the room.

One recommendation which is receiving a lot of support from local councillors is to compress all divisional budgets, into one large budget.

Currently, during the annual budget process - each division, based on their 'wish lists' are granted a certain amount of money for their own, local infrastructure needs - such as paving, patching holes, culvert projects, and others.

"We are saying quit it. We are saying individually, you put your input into the council as a whole - then you get the projects done. And, you will end up with better pavement, better roads. Rather than smaller, individual roads - you are going to be able to do longer stretches of roads all at the same time, making it a benefit for everyone; However, I think the lack of the plan is hurting your organization," Cuff said.

Cuff says that they are recommending the County sit down in the near future and come up with some sort of long-term plan in regards to their long-range infrastructure needs.

One of Cuff's recommendations is receiving some hesitation from quite a few members of council - including the two local councillors.

Cuff is recommending that the number of divisions be brought down to six - meaning there would only be six councillors and the seventh member of council - being the Reeve, become an elected po-

sition, rather than being appointed by council once the election is complete.

"I personally believe that the citizens should be electing the Reeve, because this makes a lot of sense to me and a lot of different municipalities are moving in this direction," Cuff said.

Cuff says that if the Reeve remains to be an appointed position, it would be like having your higher levels of government pre-selected.

"It would be like the PC Party deciding who would be the MLA's for the Province, and we just all agree," he said. "Towns and cities have Mayors - the Reeve does the same job."

Councillor Day believes that this is something council has to sit down and strongly discuss, if they are going to implement this recommendation.

"I can see his part on it. It's something as a council we are going to have to sit down and discuss," Day said. "However, this is someone that is representing council as a whole and I think it's important that all of us councillors discuss this."

Councillor Van Arnham agreed, saying that out of all of the recommendations this was the one he was most concerned about.

The current Reeve Al Kemmere who was appointed to the position, after the election, due to not being associated to either the old group - or the new group, says he has his own concerns, but says it's worth looking into.

"There are probably cons and pros both ways. It was to be researched.

It's more than just a simple process of changing

things. We are going to talk to Counties that have implemented it and Counties that have discussed it and not implemented and discuss the why's and their decisions," Kemmere said.

Kemmere says that he didn't have a lot of time to research what it was like to be the Reeve, and if he would have had that opportunity - he might have eased into the position a little easier.

"If you're running for the Reeve's position, then you have a lot of time to do the research, which I didn't do because I wasn't running for the Reeve's position," the Reeve said.

Overall, Kemmere believes that the Cuff review will help steer the County in the right direction in the years to come.

"I had reservations on it at first. I wasn't certain if it was the right thing to do and I wasn't certain on some of the motives. I think this has been a step forward," he said. "I think, overall, there are a lot of positive things that are going to come out of it. I think eventually, once it's in place, it will make us that much stronger of a County."

Over the next two weeks council members and residents will have a chance to digest the intensive review, and on August 9 everyone will have an opportunity to give their input.

On August 9, beginning at 8 a.m. in council chambers, residents can come and speak up to 15 minutes in regards to why they agree or disagree with a certain recommendation.

For more information contact the County office.

# OPINIONS EDITORIAL

## Flood victim



TAMARA COLLINS  
EDITORIAL

A man from Sundre came to County council this week to talk to council about what has been going on in his area (Sleepy Hollow) and the struggles his family are still facing after the flooding that took place in June.

His story was very touching, and it really upset me, it is sad to know the horrific way the flood touched so many lives, and right here in the Mountain View County.

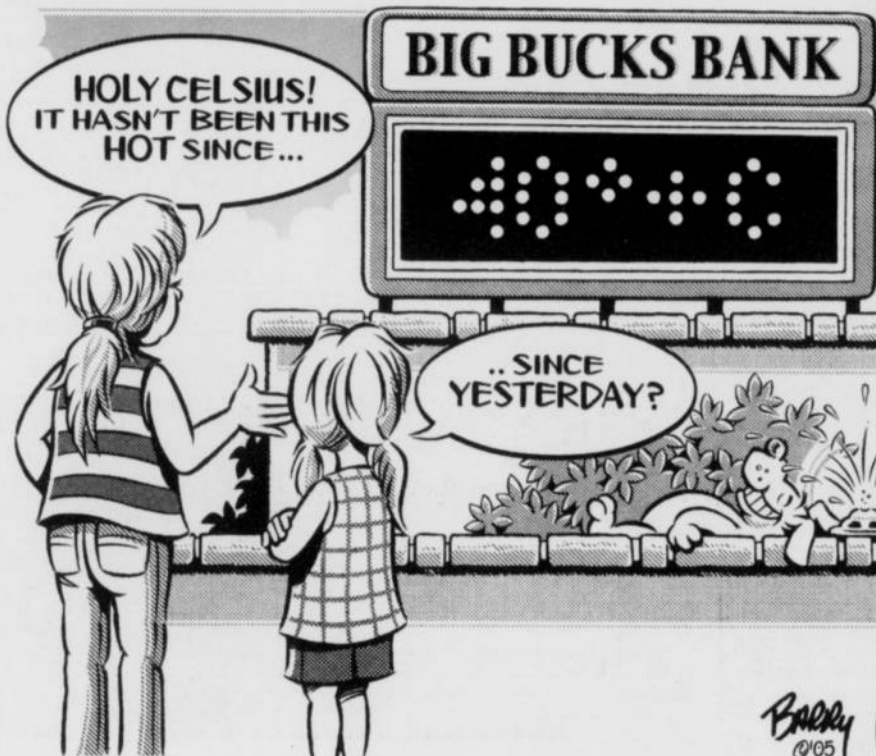
He told us how his wife and he have been living in a borrowed trailer in their backyard, because their house is filled with mold and e-coli. His neighbors are

facing the same problems, their houses are no longer safe.

This man told us how all their personal belongings were thrown into dumpsters, everything destroyed. He has not been able to work the amount he was, causing him to lose even more money. He estimated the total damages he faces is over \$400,000, and presently his insurance company is offering him \$4000, saying that is all he needs to fix his house.

The man then told us about his little family dog they had for years, who went and drank some water that was in a near by puddle and died the next day.

His story was very heart wrenching, and the worst part is he feels nothing is being done to help them and all the others out there like them who are still living out of trailers, and wondering what their futures will hold. He said there is a great opportunity here for the Alberta government to become a hero, in our Centennial year, and I hope they take the opportunity.



Buddy  
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## Wonderings of the heart

by Margaret Fradley

### People are Fragile

Recently, just sitting in an open field relaxing and feeling the gentle breeze rustling through the leaves; hearing the chatter of squirrels; as they scampered to and fro; the cawing of a crow in flight and the occasional barking of a dog, I felt we all needed times like this; just a time of resting and allowing our soul to be renewed and refreshed; a time for letting go, for a time, the many things on our minds and just letting the quietness and beauty sink down into our inner beings; just drawing on it resting in it.

As I sat, I began to watch the activity of two lady bugs as they crawled up and down single blades of grass. They were so tiny, it would have been easy to step on and crush these little creatures; quite unintentionally.

Becoming aware of these lady bugs; and how fragile they are, I was reminded how fragile people are; and how often amid our busyness we can become insensitive to their pain, hurts or needs, rush on by them and crush their spirits.

Just as I took every precaution not to step on these little lady bugs, I felt I needed to become more sensitive to others I meet, to take every opportunity to respect, accept and encourage them in their walk.

RICHARD MARZ, MLA

## Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills MLA Column

For many homeowners, reality TV shows like Extreme Home Makeover and Trading Spaces have long been popular viewing on the small screen. But for those who look after Alberta's schools, a much more exciting reality awaits, thanks to the Alberta government's recent announcement of \$40 million in new funding and a new funding formula for school facilities.

It makes sense to keep schools in good working condition. Students need a well looked after school so they can focus on what's most important - learning.

Starting this September, funding for school maintenance is going up \$40 million across the province. This works out to a minimum of five per cent increase for all boards. In total, the province spends \$391 million on the operations and maintenance of schools.

This new funding will cover heating and electrical costs, janitorial services, painting

and general maintenance. It will help keep schools in good working order.

Along with the increase in funding comes a new way of distributing this money. Government used to give funding based on the amount of square footage used by a school. On top of that funding, schools were given incentives for high utilization rates. Aside from creating a complex formula that made your head spin, the formula itself just didn't make sense. We knew we could do better.

The new formula provides a simple, straight-forward approach to funding. It is based mainly on the number of students, and so puts all school boards on the same level playing field. Additional dollars are also provided to small schools whose students can't attend elsewhere and to schools that are located a far distance from urban areas.

As a result of this new approach, utilization formulas for

calculating funding are now a thing of the past. School boards are now in the position to decide how best to spend their money, based on their local needs.

Locally, this new funding formula means that the Chinnook's Edge School Division will receive an increase of \$975,047 this school year for total annual amount of \$7,668,150.

The Golden Hills School, Division will receive an increase of \$385,693 this school year for a total annual funding of \$4,453,651.

The Red Deer Catholic Division will receive an increase of \$452,458 this school year for a total annual funding of \$4,020,555.

Alberta continues to be the envy of the rest of Canada. With this boost in funding for school upkeep and maintenance, we may soon hear from other provinces looking at "trading spaces" with our schools.



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# FROM THE MAILBAG

## Didsbury's cat situation

Dear Editor,

I was overly pleased to read Miss Collin's opinion on the "cat situation" here in town. Yet still, as an owner of a currently missing Didsburian cat, and seeing all the missing cat posters around town, I have to wonder where are all the cats disappearing to?

If anyone who reads this has ever had a loved pet go missing, then I know I'm not alone when I say it's a horrible, saddening, desperate feeling; questioning where the pet is, how they're doing, or even if our loved one is still alive.

Last fall (2004) I had two cats that had been with me for over six years go missing within two months of each other. POOF vanished off the face of the earth. Now, another loved family pet of mine is gone.

Adding mine with the 'more-than-a-handful' amount of missing cat posters displayed around town and it SHOULD be raising a few eyebrows.

Those of us who try to relocate our missing comrades are bound to come across the worst of small town rumors. From coyotes, to

poison, target practice, (and of course) cat traps. What is this...? I thought small town life was a bit more about security and trust. Yet how can that be exercised when one has to fear letting their family pet outside.

Are we to fear the average gardener because they won't accept or take productive action regarding an animal's natural instincts? Are we to remain wary of neighbors and passerbys on the street, wondering if they had something to do with our pet's vanishing act?

I'm not sure what causes my

heart to ache more; the desperate longing for my kitty, or the concept that some people, people I trust, in the town I live in are intentionally trying to eliminate a loved one.

Sincerely, Kelly F

PS. A helpful tip for gardeners, moth balls in and around your garden will keep cats at bay. As well, you can purchase capsules at garden centers that also release a smell to keep animals away.

For more letters see page 12

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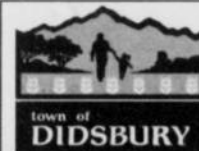
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Lynn Burke (Grimmon)  
July, 2002



John Grimmon  
August, 2002



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### PUBLIC MEETINGS & NOTICES

#### TOWN COUNCIL:

August 9, 2005 - Council Chambers, 7:00 pm

#### MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION:

Wednesday, August 17, 2005 - Council Chambers, 4:30 pm

### NEW DEVELOPMENT PERMIT APPLICATIONS

The following Development Permits have been issued for the following proposed developments:

• DP 64-05	31 Valarosa Dr.	Single Family Dwelling w/conditions	R1
• DP 65-05	1805 - 19 Street	Containment System w/conditions	I1
• DP 66-05	1166 Kildeer Close	Accessory Building	R2
• DP 67-05	1904 - 20 Street	Awning with conditions	C1
• DP 67-05	1814 - 20 Street	Awning with conditions	C1

Further information may be obtained at the Town Office. Person(s) wishing to appeal any of these decisions must do so in writing with the appropriate fees to the secretary, Development Appeal Board, prior to 4:30 pm on August 16, 2005.

Robert Wigg - Development Officer

### ASSESSMENT REVIEW BOARD HEARING POSTPONEMENT

To: Monday, August 22, 2005 at 7:00 pm - Didsbury Council Chambers

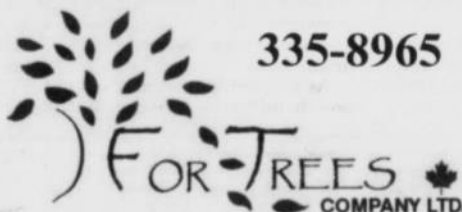
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## Charges laid in stabbing

by Tamara Collins

A 30 year old man has been charged in relation to a stabbing that took place in a Didsbury alley in the early hours of July 24.

Jeffrey Miller, of Red Deer, is facing

weapon charges, as well as assault. Miller is a past Didsbury resident.

"This is an on going investigation so I can not say a lot at this point," said Cst. Patti Reid, Didsbury RCMP. "Presently only one person has been charged."

The 16 year old female victim, who was stabbed in an alley south of 18 Ave., has been released from the Foothills Hospital.

RCMP are still not able to say what caused the confrontation and if any further charges will be laid.

## Didsbury Ag Society Notes

by Connie & Marge

Committee Updates

1. The road and drainage problem at the buildings was tended to.

2. Bullriding - The weather cooperated and everyone had a great time.

3. Reports were given by the Light Horse Comm. and the Farmers Market.

4. Fair & Rodeo - Admissions, Childrens Entertainment, Talent Contest, Concessions, Fireworks, Sat. Night dance, all were discussed.

5. The Shell Building will be moved.

6. A Mosquito Trap - none available.

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## What you need to know about West Nile virus

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# Neighborhood

## Didsbury's weather station

by Tamara Collins

For the first time ever, Didsbury has its very own weather station, and up to the minute temperatures and forecasts are only a click away.

The station, located on Bill and Kathleen Windsor's house, can read temperatures 12 to 48 hours in advance.

"The Alberta weather can change so abhorrently so this equipment limits the forecasts to 12 to 48 hours," said Bill Windsor, of Windsor Graphics, a sponsor of the station.

The station was set up on the Windsor's house because it needed to be in a location where they could have other facilities needed such as the internet and a web server.

"We needed a location with a web server so we could transfer the information to interested parties," said Windsor. "It was very limited where we could put this."

The three sponsors of the station are For Trees Ltd., CIR Realty and Windsor Graphics. These sponsors paid for the station and the capability to put the information on the net.

"We know the weather in Didsbury is different than the weather in Olds, Sundre, Red Deer or Calgary," said Windsor. "We want to know the weather in Didsbury, and now we can. I am very interested in weather and we decided it was time for Didsbury to have its own weather station. We want to separate Didsbury, give it our own identity, set us apart from the other communities in the area. This is a very progressive, initiative concept for a small area like Didsbury."

The weather can be viewed at [weather.mydidsbury.ca](http://weather.mydidsbury.ca), along with wind speed, relative humidity, temperature with wind chill, wind direction, precipitation and dew

point.

"This weather page is going to be part of a portal concept," said Windsor. "We went to two sponsors to ask them to participate, and with their progressive thinking they opted to participate. Another sponsor said they would be more interested in sponsoring a portal page, so the weather station is going to be part of that portal concept."

The site will one day also include historical data, and weather maps and warnings.

"The software we used has generic methods of presenting information, and we have gone way beyond that," said Windsor. "You have to keep in mind though that forecasts only give a percent of accuracy, so if they say there is a 30 percent chance of rain, there is a 70 percent chance they are wrong. That is the way the weather is, and that's the way you need to look at it."

People in the community who can really benefit from the station are those who work outside, such as farmers. According to Windsor, this can also help attract tourists to the area.

"Tourism is the single best way for economy growth in rural Alberta," said Windsor.

Aside from the weather station Olds has which, according to Windsor, does not include a lot of information, Didsbury is the only community in the area to have such a thing.

Sundre is the home of the national weather station, and there is one similar to Didsbury's station in Cochrane. The Cochrane site got over 1.1 million hits last year alone.

The cost of the station was \$995 US, plus the cost of a server, the licensing, the web page, and the labour.

"The hardest part of this was getting the page and the weather station to talk back



Didsbury's new weather station on Bill and Kathleen Windsor's roof.

photo by Tamara Collins

and forth," said Windsor. "The process we used will enable us to expand the server uninhibited."

The site will officially

launch on Aug. 8, in the mean time Windsor will remain watching and making sure there are no glitches.

"This is my commitment

to the community," said Windsor. "This is innovative, incredible stuff. Didsbury will get huge exposure once the portal concept is ready."

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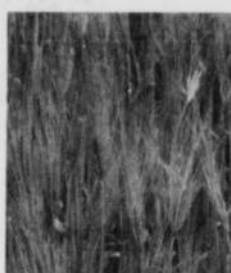
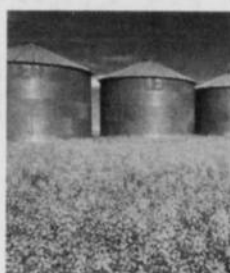
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27.07.05

## Straight From the Table 27.07.05

*It's been a busy week in Mountain View. Here's a quick look at key developments...*

### Corporate Review Draws Public's Interest

*It's official – the new Council Chambers can house a crowd...*

Over 155 ratepayers scrambled for front row seats on Tuesday evening to hear the top line recommendations of the County's Corporate Review. Author George Cuff gave a detailed presentation, in his signature no-nonsense style, including both his observations of Council and Administration operations. Beyond giving the County a clear endorsement for the integrity of both Councillors and Administration, Cuff wasted no time getting into some 62 recommendations to move the County forward on a sustainable basis.

Cuff opened the meeting with an overview of municipal and corporate governance and the relative roles and responsibilities of Council and Administration. Participants heard that Council's role is to provide leadership and policy direction. Administration's role is to provide solid recommendations and background to Council, and implement their decisions effectively.

Of the many recommendations provided by Cuff, some of the most significant included:

- Development of a three year strategic business plan for the Council – one that can be revisited annually and a long term road development and maintenance strategy
- A move to operating Council as a whole – in terms of operations, communications, and the decision making process. In particular, the divisional approach to Public Works is considered by Cuff to be outdated and inefficient to ratepayers as a whole
- A new operational structure for Administration that leverages the skills of the current staff and builds accountability, increases customer service and drives growth and development of senior management

Copies of the Corporate Review Executive Summary are available to the public at the County Office. The Report was accepted in principle by Council on June 27th, 2005. Implementation of many recommendations will begin over the next few months.

## Mountain View C O U N T Y

### Bits and Bites

- The official opening of the New County Building and the County's official Centennial celebration will be held on September 30th
- The Westward Ho Campground is open subject to Alberta Environment conditions. Campers must bring their own firewood and bottled water.
- August 19th is the final date to take advantage of the special incentive for the 2004/05 Monthly Payment Tax Program. Applications are available in the office or on-line at [www.mountainviewcounty.com](http://www.mountainviewcounty.com).



### Council Meeting Highlights

*A packed agenda saw Council moving through a number of key issues*

- **Flood Impact Update:** Special Constable Jayson Nelson presented a summary of progress on the flood remediation process. All but 5kms of the 235 kms closed by the flood are now open; 120 claims have been made to the Alberta Disaster Recovery Program; 80 claims for social assistance have been processed through Green Neighbourhood Place; and scores of volunteers (individual and organizational) continue to provide enormous support. Residents are still strongly encouraged to boil water for one full minute before using if water has not been tested. Because of excessive ground saturation, there is still evidence of contamination showing up in tests. Testing kits are available at local health units.
- **Tax Relief Options for Flood Victims:** Council has initiated a process to investigate options for offering some form of tax relief to flood victims. Options may range from an extended payment period or reduced penalties on late payments. Council will review recommendations at special meeting in the coming weeks.
- **Chat with the Alberta Minister of Government Services:** The Honourable Ty Lund spent an hour with Council reviewing disaster relief, road and infrastructure development in Mountain View County. During a lively session, Council outlined challenges of local residents, and learned that a new Provincial Committee may be formed to address preventative measures to ensure flood protection strategies for the future. The flood is the largest disaster to strike the province in 150 years. To date, over 10,000 claims have been submitted and \$ 10 Million has been paid out.
- **Prairie to Peaks:** Council passed a motion to purchase a membership in the Prairie Peaks Tourism Association. Council will also review a proposal from P2P to invest in the organization (along with other municipalities) to fuel a professional marketing plan.
- **Corporate Review:** Council passed a motion to accept the Corporate Review Final Report in principle. A meeting will be held on August 9th to review specific recommendations. The Public will be invited to provide comment (by appointment) to specific recommendations in the Report beginning at 8:00 AM. Comments from the floor will be limited to 15 minutes per person. Appointments can be booked through the County office – 335-3311 extension 120.

Remember to check out the website on a regular basis for current news and updates.

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## Susie turns 103

Susie Patchell turned 103 last week and a celebration was held at the auxiliary hospital in her name. Susie sang a solo during the party and her son, 83-year-old Bob, was also on hand to help his mother celebrate. She lived in the Cremona area for a number of years before moving to Didsbury.

Jan. 8/91

**GST: grumbling but paying**

By Peter Crosby

Most consumers grumbled but paid the new goods and services tax where applicable last week.

"The first day was disastrous because people didn't understand what was taxed and what wasn't," said Emmor Gasser of AG Foods in Didsbury. The GST went into effect Jan. 1.

"It's still a learning process for most people but once it's explained to them, there doesn't seem to be much problem," said Gasser. "There hasn't been much opposition to the GST as far as I can see."

AG Foods was well prepared for the GST. "We spent weeks programming our cash tills and training our cashiers," he said.

At Didsbury IGA, where new scanning equipment is being installed this week to speed the process at the checkouts, people "grumbled" about the GST "but paid it," said Bobbi Fife.

Items subject to GST are indicated on the cash register tape so that customers can see what's taxed.

Didsbury Drugs is in the process of implementing the GST and is absorbing the tax on most purchases until next week, said owner Dick Forth. "It's a long involved process but this is one of the options we had," said Forth. Until Jan. 12, Didsbury Drugs is collecting GST on tobacco products

only. "People are paying it but most are grumbling," said Forth.

However, there have been no reported cases of anyone refusing to pay the tax in Didsbury.

At least one lounge in town is also giving customers a break from the GST for now. The tax won't be added until later this year "when we've got it figured out," said a spokesman.

June 13/95

**Didsbury gets fast food chain**  
by Janice Harrington  
Review Editor

Didsbury's first foray into fast food franchises will open this week with the opening of the new Subway in the recently constructed Super 8 Motel complex.

Part of the second largest franchise in North America, Didsbury's Subway is the third franchise for owners Dan and Regina Merkely.

The Merkelys, who also own Subway franchises in Innisfail and Sylvan Lake, are excited about the opportunity to offer Subway's own style of fast food to the public in the area.

"Besides the fresh subs, we will also have soups, salads, muffins, really promoting health but not just in food," Dan Merkely said. "The company also really promotes community involvement in philosophy and commitment and we are really looking forward to being part of the community."

Part of the way the Merkelys are showing their community spirit was evident in a free sub and drink give-away during their grand opening Monday night. From 4 to 7 p.m. Subway handed out free 6 inch subs and drinks

for everyone who lined up for the treat. The Merkelys have also been supporting minor ball and handed out free sub sandwiches during the Midget minor ball tournament held in Didsbury June 9 and 10. The Merkelys chose Didsbury as the location for their third store after scouting locations for a possible expansion.

"We thought this would be a great town to open a store and then we were approached by the Super 8. It just grew from there and so far, we have had a very positive response."

The Subway, which opened Monday, will be open 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 8 a.m. to 1 a.m. Friday and Saturday and 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. on Sundays.

May 7/91

**Bible college move set for fall '92**

By Peter Crosby

Mountain View Bible College will operate in Didsbury for one more year before moving to Calgary in the fall of 1992.

College president Dr. Virgil Stauffer said MVBC would proceed with its plan, first made public in 1987, to merge with Hillcrest Christian College of Medicine Hat. The two are expected to share a campus on property located near the University of Calgary.

Negotiations are continuing, although Dr. Stauffer said a down payment has been made and an offer accepted by Foothills Alliance Church for a piece of property on Crowchild Trail.

The college has been an integral part of Didsbury since 1929 and Dr.



## And down it came

Workers got up fairly early last Thursday morning, but a crowd of spectators still gathered to witness the demolition of the UGG elevator. The elevator was pushed over using hoses until it crashed to the ground, precisely on schedule. The crash raised a cloud of dust that hung in the air for quite a while, but some of the tears shed weren't just from eye irritation. Many mourned the loss of a landmark and a part of Didsbury's history.

Stauffer said: "The college has had an influence on the town and its religious community right from the beginning ... we obviously have mixed feelings about leaving."

But he said changing trends in education and other factors, including economic ones, were behind the decision to move.

"Statistics show that within 10 years, half of the students will be part-time and obviously it is not economically feasible for us to operate under those conditions."

"We are also in a society that is undergoing a real cultural change and there is a need for students to be educated and to work in a cross-cultural setting such as a city provides," he said.

Enrolment at the college this year was 52. Classes concluded at the end of April.

Earlier, MVBC officials had said that a joint venture with Hillcrest would reduce overhead and other reasons were cited:

\* Church and college leaders strongly committed to continuing Bible college education;

\* College programs can be strengthened in ways increasingly difficult as separate institutions;

\* The two denominations are Wesleyan in doctrine and very similar in church practice;

\* A joint venture increases the supporting constituency from 1,200 members to over 5,000.

\* Each denomination already has three churches in Calgary.

A presidential search for the new Calgary-based college is underway and the successful candidate is to be in place by July 15.

All other administrative and faculty positions are up for negotiation. Dr. Stauffer said some of MVBC's 15 faculty and staff members (including five part-time workers) could be hired.

Meanwhile, the 3 1/2-acre MVBC site is on the commercial real estate market. Dr. Stauffer said the first choice was to sell to another institution. Olds-Didsbury MLA Roy Brassard had helped lobby for such a sale over the past year "but we've not found anyone interested," said Dr. Stauffer.

"Now we are exploring a commercial sale," he said. The property, which includes an administrative building, men's and women's residences, a married couples' residence with chapel and recreational centre, and a soccer or football field, is zoned R-2, general residential. While there has been "some activity," Dr. Stauffer said, there has been no sale.



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Aug. 16/95

Grocery store, bars part of Sunday openings trend

By Peter Crosby

Sunday openings have quickly and quietly become a fact of life in County of Mountain View businesses.

Grocery stores have become the main players, with stores in Didsbury joining Olds, Sundre and Cremona in moving to seven-day-a-week operations.

Even bars have joined the trend.

Although a survey of some of the business operators involved, found most would prefer to stay closed on Sundays, most said it had become an economic necessity.

Didsbury Inn owner Jack Sheridan said if he had his druthers, he'd remain closed Sundays. But as soon as Alberta liquor regulations were relaxed at the first of July to allow Sunday openings, customers began asking when the Didsbury bar would open.

"If they weren't drinking here, they'd go to Calgary," said Sheridan. "I'd rather they drink here than go to Calgary and drink then drive."

For the past three weeks, the Didsbury Inn bar has been opening at 11 a.m. on Sundays and usually shutting down around 9 p.m. Sheridan said there had been stories that minors could be allowed in places that serve liquor on Sundays. But he said these stories were false. The same rules, prohibiting minors, apply on Sundays too.

Didsbury IGA owner Mike Hofforth, who commenced Sunday openings at his store in mid-May, said he's received only two complaints. "We've had at least 100 compliments too," he said.

Sunday shopping in Alberta's rural communities is a "sign of the times more than anything," Hofforth added. "It's almost a necessity."

"We rent the building 24 hours a day, seven days a week and we're in here on Sundays anyway, changing prices, produce...we might as well be open."

"We're not making a lot of money at it but we are providing a service."

At Didsbury's AG Foods, Emmor Gasser said his store was reluctant to open Sundays but made the move six weeks ago because competitors IGA

and Tom-Boy were open.

"We'd rather have it as a family day for ourselves and staff, we thought six days a week were plenty," Gasser said.

So far, customer reaction has been "very affirmative," he added.

"We thought it would take away from Saturday and Monday sales but it hasn't."

At the Sundre IGA, Tom Mennear said his store has been open on Sundays for the past three years.

"The cities draw everybody," Mennear said. "We have to compete." Sunday openings have helped his business in the summer, aided by tourists but winter is "pretty slow" on Sundays, Mennear said.

There has been no negative feedback, he added.

In Olds, the IGA has been open for the past three years on Sundays but Olds Co-op has so far resisted any move in this direction.

"We would prefer not to open Sundays," said Co-op manager Howard Wright. "Instead the board [of directors] might look at extended hours, say from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., six days a week."

A review of the situation will likely take place sometime before the opening of the new Co-op store this fall.

"If we have to get into Sunday openings we will but we would prefer not to for the sake of our employees. We like to think of Sunday as a family day."

"I don't think there's a whole lot to be gained by offering Sunday hours. There are only so many dollars to go around."



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## Fair and Rodeo yard judging contest



Jean Flett

The Didsbury Agricultural Society is once again holding a yard judging contest in conjunction with the fair. Entry forms are available from the Ag. Society office, or at the front of the bench show booklet, which is available from many stores in Didsbury.

All entries from within 32 km (20 mi) of Didsbury will be judged. There is a \$2 entry fee, which also gets you a membership in the Didsbury Agricultural Society. Judging will occur on Saturday, August 13 (weather permit-

ting, otherwise when possible before the fair), and, we hope, your garden will be open for viewing to the public on Sunday, August 21.

"We are holding the yard judging in conjunction with the Bench Fair," said Jean Flett, co-chair of Bench Fair committee. "It is open to both urban and rural yards in the area. All entries must be in by Aug. 10, to myself or Bob (Davidson)."

The contest has separate sections for rural and urban (town) yards, so your

chances of winning one of the prizes donated by the businesses of Didsbury are very good.

Entering your yard gives you a chance to see how your garden compares to others in the area, a chance to find out more about what makes a good garden/landscape, and a chance to see the wonderful places, people have created with their efforts, in the Didsbury area.

For more information you can contact Jean at 335-8123, or Bob at 335-3707.



Bob Davidson

## 22nd annual Bench fair

Didsbury will be holding their annual Bench Fair this year again, in conjunction with the Ag's Society's annual Rodeo weekend, Aug. 20.

All entries will be expected from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. on the 19. The Fair will start the following day, right after the parade, and go until 5 p.m.

"There are over 300 categories to choose from, so there is something for every-

one," said Bench Fair committee co-chair Jean Flett. "There are some new categories this year, such as the Alberta Centennial hanger, container or planter, and we also added in some scrapbooking for the juniors."

Prizes total over \$2000, donated from Didsbury and area businesses and individuals, in addition to the Ag Society's regular prizes.

Last year the Fair received over 1500 entries. This year's theme is 'Salute to Alberta's Centennial'.

"The volunteers are an integral part of the Bench Fair, and we currently need more volunteers to set up tables, and quilt racks, etc. on Aug. 17 at 8 p.m. at the Curling Rink. We also need help with entries the Friday afternoon, and some volunteers to assist

judges the Friday evening. Lastly we need help hanging and displaying art and photography."

For more information, or to volunteer please call Jean at 335-8123 or Bob at 335-3707.

"It is going to be a wonderful day, so I encourage people to enter or else come out and see what others have done," said Flett. "There are so many categories, and lots to see."



Jean Flett

## Are you the next Didsbury Idol?

On Sept. 17, Didsbury will choose its first Didsbury Idol, in a contest, for Didsburians between the ages of 12 and 25 years old.

Ten lucky finalists will be chosen to compete in the competition, who will be chosen by celebrity judges during auditions. To book

an audition you can contact Nicole at 335-3391.

"The top ten will perform and then the audience will vote and choose the winner," said Nicole Aasen, organizer. "A local karaoke service will provide the music for us, so everyone will have to choose their

song from an extensive list."

Allen Reed, Dan Peters, Rod Neufeld, and Cindy Tippe of Remax, have donated \$500 for the winner.

"This is really exciting," said Aasen. "It is a really neat opportunity for the youth to showcase their talent and win some big bucks." The show will start at

2p.m. and everyone is encouraged to come out and watch and vote for your first choice.

"It takes a lot of courage to get there and perform in front of people, so we want to be encouraging. What is neat about this is that Didsbury picks the winner," said Nicole. "It should be a lot of fun."



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### More from our Mailbag

#### Thank you and keep up the good work

Dear Editor:

I have struggled for over a year with my disability and only went on leave 4 months ago. During that time it was my sole focus to work hard at physiotherapy and other treatments in order to return to work earlier than expected. I wanted to return to the community that I call home.

It breaks my heart that while I continue to work at regaining my health the Town Council has left me unemployed. I leave behind many excellent co-workers who are doing their level best for this community and I wish to thank them for their devotion, friendship and hard-work.

To a great community filled with spirit and strength, thank you. To the Chamber of Commerce who have made great strides; keep up the great work! It has been an honor and privilege to serve this community. To others, I leave a quote by Pope John Paul II "The worst prison is a closed heart."

Brian L. Irvine

Dear Editor:

I must thank the 140+ citizens of Mountain View County who turned out to listen to the public presentation of the Corporate Review by Mr. George Cuff. It is with this interest and participation that democracy can carry on. Your elected representatives rely on you, the public, for input as to the conduct of government. Sadly, the masses of Canadian people choose to ignore their rite to participate and by so doing, are saddled with unwanted rules, regulations, taxes and laws of which they then gripe and complain! Keep up the momentum, Mountain View

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regarding democracy...but if we, the citizens, don't actively participate at all levels of government, "they" will take away our rites, not to mention our resources in this great country.

Thank you again, all who came out. You made July 26<sup>th</sup>, 2005 my happiest day as councillor and resident of Mountain View County.

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## AROUND THE CIRCLE

# Community Weiner Roast

by Marge St. Clair

**Wed. Aug. 3**

There is lots of fresh fruit and vegetables for you to choose from at the Farmers market in the Curling rink from 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. If you would like a table phone Laura at 335-4252.

**Fri. Aug. 5**

You are welcome to the 5-0 Centre to sit down and play cribbage at 7:00 p.m. Coffee and goodies and visiting are enjoyable after cards.

**Sun. Aug. 7**

The Didsbury Mens Club Championship is being held today at the Didsbury Golf Course. Enter while you are there golfing or phone 335-3635 for details.

**Mon. Aug. 8**

Just received a phone call to tell me that the Community Weiner Roast will start at 6:00 p.m. at Midway. The Bancroft W.I. is supplying all the condiments coffee & juices and dessert. Please bring weiners & buns for your family. All friends and neighbors welcome and enjoy yourselves at this annual event.

**Mon. Aug. 8 - Fri. Aug. 12**

Please phone Zion EV Church at 335-3629 mornings to register your child or children ages 5-10 years for Vacation Bible School. Sign up sheets are available at the Church to enter your children 5-10 years in Soccer Camp being held Aug. 22 - 25.

The Didsbury Gunners Mens Slo Pitch Team had to give up the Challenge Cup this year when they lost to the Hellions in the Challenge Cup Tournament played in Olds on July 23 & 24. There were 13 teams entered and all had to play through wind & rain till Sun. afternoon. The Canadians won the B event and the Young Guns won the C

event.

**Tues. Aug. 9**

Dr. Nugent, foot specialist, will be at the 5-0 Centre from 12:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. No appointment necessary.

**Fri. Aug. 12**

Remember if you plan to participate in the talent Show at the Didsbury Fair & Rodeo on Fri. Aug. 19th, your entry must be in to the Ag Society office on Main Street today.

**Mon. Aug. 15**

The Didsbury O.O.R.P. are in charge of the Blood Donor Clinic being held from 2 p.m. - 7 p.m. in the Multi Purpose Room at the Didsbury Complex. You can pre register by phoning 1-888-236-6283 (toll free) but drop ins are most welcome.

**Tues. Aug. 16**

The Didsbury Minor Hockey Ass'n will be holding registration for all hockey players, girls and boys ages 5 years and up to Atom age. There will also be an equipment swap, sale or give away. More info from Dan Northcott at 335-3621.

**Aug. 15 - 19**

On these days, from 9:30 a.m. - 12 noon all children aged 5 - 11 years will be welcomed to the Church of God in Carstairs to go on a journey to one of the most beautiful places in Africa. This a week of games and fun learning of the plan God has for each one of our lives. Please phone the Church 337-3045 for all the details.

**Tues. Aug. 23**

If you plan to go on the Community Bus Trip to Cash Casino in Calgary leaving the Complex at 10:00 a.m., phone Bea 335-3058 or Gen 335-3449 now to reserve your set.

by Jodi Styner

Canadian cattle have been moving across the U.S. border for just two weeks and already producers have hit another road block.

Cindy McCreath, spokesperson for the Canadian Cattlemen's Association, said more unnecessary paperwork may be on the way for producers, shippers and buyers, following an announcement that Montana Governor Brian Schweitzer is requesting all cattle travelling into Montana from Canada must first be recertified.

"It's clearly a trade disruption measure by the Governor of Montana," she said, adding that the United States Department of Agriculture is also opposed to the move. These requirements - things like being tagged with CCLIA tags and being branded with the letters CAN - are certified by the USDA already."

Wildrose MP Myron Thompson said he's disappointed that Schweitzer seems to have been influenced by lobby group R-CALF.

"This type of protectionist rhetoric and petty behavior has to stop if we are going to get past this crisis and resume our trade," he said.

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Thompson said the process is expected to carry a cost of \$3 to \$5 per head and will likely be imposed on the recipient of the cattle.

"If it becomes an issue then, ultimately, the person buying those cattle would build that into the overall price they're going to pay," said McCreath.

"We have not had any report of it actually happening yet, but it's something (Schweitzer) is trying to implement."

Governor Schweitzer was unavailable for comment as of press time, but his communications di-

rector, Sarah Elliot, denied the move was being made.

"That's not something we're asking for at all," she said.

But McCreath and Thompson said they both received releases about the issue from the Governor's office.

## Olds Legion #105 Notes

by Marge St. Clair

**Sat. Aug. 6**

Command Golf at the Forest Heights Golf Course, phone 556-6406. There will be a Banquet at the Olds Legion at 6:30 p.m. and entertainment in the Lounge at 8:00 p.m.

**Tues. Aug. 9**

Fiddlers Jamboree to kick off the Mountain View County Fair & Rodeo in Olds, will be held at the Legion Hall, starting at 7:00 p.m.

**Thurs. Aug. 11 &****Aug. 25**

Seniors Luncheon in the Legion Hall at 12:00 noon.

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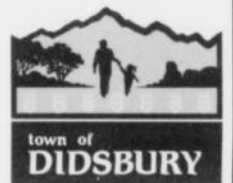
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## NEIGHBORHOOD

By all the comments heard during and after the weekend, this is a "success story".

Before the weekend, 130 to 140 people had registered. This included former teachers, students, husband, wives and family members. When the committee members arrived Fri. night to prepare Lone Pine Hall for the big event, several trailers with visitors were already camped in the yard having a good time.

The members quickly got to work decorating tables, putting up photographs they'd collected and other artifacts such as an original 1904 register from Burnside School, school meeting books and even Shirley Thompson's autograph book from long ago. There was also 2 huge cakes, one for each school. The next morning committee members arrived early to make sure there was lots of coffee brewing and to put out all the treats and food that had been contributed in case people were hungry or thirsty before the catered supper. Registration began at 10:00 a.m. and continued until 1:00 p.m. or whenever people arrived over the two days. Visitors received a Burnside-Jutland Pen and each school had its own pin. Each person also got a decorated name tag when they signed in. Then the greetings, hugs & kisses began. The tallest good looking man was "little Ralphie Bittner" who I'd taught Gr. 1 in 1951, followed by his sister Ollie. Then came another big hug and a kiss from Jim Boulton, whose parents Jack & Bertha lived not too far from Lone Pine Hall with their 3 children many years ago. All of the 5 Page brothers came and their sister Mary (Ron) Devolin, and there were so many Sawatzky's, Hamms, Derksen's etc. there was laughter and reminiscences all through the hall. Luckily the committee had enough food, coffee, tea and juice for the whole crowd and the hall has a large seating area with tables & chairs.

The formal program started at 2 p.m. with Elsie Brander, a former teacher and resident of the Lone Pine District as M.C. After the singing of O Canada, she gave a welcome address to all. This was followed by a speech by Mr. Roy Brassard, chairman of the Chinook's Edge School Board.

It was now time to visit the two former school sites. Two rocks had been found by committee members to put at the two sites. On these, were plaques with the former schools names. These had been put on a cement base and covered with an Alberta Flag until the unveiling. The group went to Jutland first, that old school is now on a farm NW of Olds, but there are two homes on the north side of the yard, so the Memorial Stone is south of the houses and is visible from the road.

The group then went to the Burnside site which has cement steps leading up from the ditch to the yard. Anyone from the group who wished to see the old school could go a few miles further east to Derek Page's farm where it is now located, they might even have

found their initials carved on the walls!

When all had returned to Lone Pine Hall and resumed visiting, the program continued. Shirley Thompson explained how a group had met at Lone Pine Hall at the beginning of the year to get a plan started, then interested a few more members until they had a very enthusiastic committee.

We then had a Memorial for departed teachers and students with a silence followed by Shirley Thompson playing the Hymn "Beyond the Sunset". This was followed by Aaron Derksen leading us by saying Grace before supper. This was a tasty catered supper prepared by Laura Krebs and her helpers, who were thanked by Elsie and the applause of the crowd. After supper Derek Page introduced the teachers who were present. For Burnside this included Elsie Brander (nee Spaepen) who taught there twice, Rachel Steeves (nee Fairchild), Thelma Olhausen (nee Vetter).

Jutland had these teachers present, Frances Taylor (nee Fairhead) and Mr. J. Harder. Former students were then called up starting with Burnside, who went before 1920, the those who went to Jutland before 1920, we did have a very few! This continued in 10 year periods, the last being 1941-1954, the year the schools were closed. Children were then riding buses to Midway for grades 1 - 9 and nearby towns for high school. As each student came up they introduced themselves and we heard some wonderful and funny stories of their time at the country school.

In between the entertainment, the Comm. had some draws for donated prizes and the table decorations. Elsie Brander gave a brief history of the Burnside School since it was built over 100 yrs. ago in 1904. Raymond Schumaker gave the history of the Jutland School.

We had a wonderful solo sung by Mary Hatcher (nee Moyles) which she had written herself. We were also entertained by the former Joy Elliot and her husband Pete on violin and Joy on piano. They played some lively old time dance tunes and got a few up to dance.

The Elliot family were represented too with Joy, Jean, Robert and spouses there. All those Schumaker boys had a good time too. It was wonderful that the former Patsy Spraggs, her husband and granddaughter could join her sisters Shirley Thompson

and Mary Spraggs of Didsbury.

After the entertainment, draws were made for the rest of the prizes.

On Sunday morning, Laura Krebs provided breakfast for all

from 9 a.m. - 11 a.m.

Don Metz a former student of Burnside, son of Harold Metz and nephew of a well known former Mountain View County Councillor and Mayor of Didsbury, Fred

Metz, was our minister. He is the minister of a Church in Consort and was at the reunion with his sisters Helen & Dorothy. We all enjoyed his cheery service and the popular hymns he chose. He was accompanied at the piano by Mr. Aaron Derksen's wife, Lydia.

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Appointments can be made at the County office by calling **335-3311 Extension 120**.

To ensure adequate time for all who wish to offer comments, appointments will be limited to **15 minutes** per person.

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April 2/91

## Station open house

By Peter Crosby

While the official opening of Didsbury's restored railway station has been set for June 1, an open house will probably be held sometime in May.

Linda Buschert, who heads the Didsbury Train Station Administrative Society, said a date for the open house will likely be discussed and finalized at the society's next meeting.

"We'd like to have an open house and information evening to give the community at large a chance to see what the station has to offer," Mrs. Buschert said.

Restoration of the historic 85-year-old station began more than three years ago.

It had become a deteriorating eyesore after its days as a working station ended in the late 1970's. But thanks to a major financial contribution from a former Didsbury resident, Eldon Foote, and the ongoing interest of the Didsbury Lions Club, the station was preserved.

While Didsbury Scouting organizations will be the primary tenants, the station will be available for rental for a variety of functions. Next month's open house will give the public a chance find out more.

Jan./95

## School board begins amalgamation process

Newly merged board officially meets for the first time

by Janice Harrington Review Editor

The new nine member school board met officially for the first time last week and began the enormous task of bringing together the two jurisdictions.

The David Thompson Regional Division #5 began some strategies for incorporating operations of the County of Red Deer and County of Mountain View school boards, but other-wise proclaimed that programs and policies would remain status quo in each jurisdiction until a new administration could be formed.

One of the board's first efforts at the meeting was to officially appoint Dr. Altha Neilson as the new superintendent of schools but no other permanent staff have been chosen to round out central office administration. Staff in both school boards will remain in place until the board begins the physical amalgamation.

The board did vote to put in place interim program for administration and financial control of the new school jurisdiction. The

Superintendent was to begin moving into the Innisfail provincial court building last Friday. The Innisfail office is expected to be the new central office although a formal lease agreement has not yet been reached with the province. The board also voted to open a new joint bank account which will act as a collection point for funding. Since a joint financial administration has yet to be set up, each county will continue to pay the bills separately as they have before.

To work on joining their policies and creating a basis from which to deliver educational services to the more than 30 schools in the new jurisdiction, the new school board also voted to attend a retreat at Nakoda Lodge last week.

Mar. 30/93

## Drugstore changes hands

The faces may have changed, but Didsbury Drugs will continue offering the same quality service in the friendly manner it has for years.

Starting April 1st, Margaret and Claude Baril will be officially taking over Didsbury Drugs Limited (ARP - Associated Retail Pharmacy) from Dick and Marsha Forth. It's a change the Barils felt was needed in their personal and professional lives. "We just moved into Didsbury last month from Calgary, actually. We have a younger family and had been looking for an opportunity to relocate to a smaller centre and enjoy the type of lifestyle Didsbury had to offer," Margaret explains.

Both Margaret and Claude previously worked at Canada Safeway Limited before deciding to buy the drugstore in Didsbury - Margaret in the pharmacy department and Claude in the retail area. The experience and skills gained over the eight years they had been working there is now set to be put to use at Didsbury Drugs. "I'm a pharmacist by trade and still intend on working in the back here at this store, while Claude will be taking care of things up front," Margaret says.

Because Didsbury Drugs is, as Margaret puts it, an exceptionally functional operation already, any changes seen at the store will be minimal. "There was already a great staff working here and we have decided to keep most of them on. Dick (Forth) will still be working here as well on a part-time basis for us, so that's a great asset to us."

The Barils predict no major changes in the many items and services they provide either. Stationery, giftware, lottery tickets, cards, magazines, health and beauty products, and, of course, a full line of over the counter and prescription pharmaceutical products will still be available...all at competitive prices and friendly, personable service.

The Barils officially take over the reins of the drugstore Thursday (April 1). The drugstore had been run by the Forths for the past 9 years.



Janice Harrington photo

Fitting tribute. Just in time for Remembrance Day services, members of the Didsbury Legion were on hand to help install a replica of a World War II 6lb gun on top of the cenotaph near the Mountain View Health Care Centre. The gun, built by Kuelker's Manufacturing, was installed last Friday. Veterans were pleased with the result.

July 29,1998

## Dirty Mothers on their way to PEI

We are on our way! By the time the Review hits the stands, the Dirty Mothers will be in the air, en route to the 1998 Slowpitch National Championships. No more fund-raising, no more practices, no more sleeps... we'll be in Halifax by 6 p.m. Tuesday night, hoping that all of our ball equipment arrives the same time we do.

The Dirty Mothers have eagerly anticipated this day since winning the Provincial Championship back in September of 1997. When we all were informed that Nationals were in Summerside, PEI, there

was never a doubt that we would be going - we all really believe that we have a shot at winning.

After arriving in Halifax on July 28, the Dirty Mothers will stay the night there and then travel to Summerside the next day. Once in Summerside, we'll check into our rooms, check out the diamonds and then begin our mission to be National Champions. Our first game will be on Friday. We will be in a round-robin format to begin with, playing four other teams from another pool. After the round-robin, we will be seeded into a double knock-out playoff, and could play four more games to accomplish our goal. All provinces will be represented

in PEI, with the exception of Saskatchewan, so we anticipate coming up against some tough teams. The plan is to take it one game at a time, focusing on the task at hand and doing our best to be strong defensively and powerful at the bat offensively.

As the time to get on the diamonds approaches, we are all very excited and just a little bit nervous - we have a big job ahead of us. No matter what happens, we will be proud to be representing Didsbury and Alberta at the National Championships and we will be proud of ourselves for the effort and dedication that it took to get us there.



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## Didsbury Masons - 90 years and counting

As Didsbury approaches a new millennium, the local Mason organization is preparing to celebrate 90 years in the community. Worshipful Master Bill Ward said that in recognition of the first meeting held April 6, 1906, a special night of entertainment is planned for April 6, 1996. The celebration is an event open to all, with turn-of-the-century theme represented in part by a singing duo set to perform numbers from the 1890s through to present day material. The Didsbury Mason chapter is listed as the 21st registered in Alberta, with the first chapter register predating provincial incorporation. Those wishing to join Mason members in this historical celebration may purchase tickets for the fun evening from any Mason member.

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## Restoration underway

Restoration of this historic house on Didsbury's 24th Avenue is underway, starting with a new set of shingles on the roof. The new owner, Phil Landon, says it will take four to five years to completely restore the house which was built in 1905. A complete story in next week's Review.

## September 10, 1991 Habermehl House to be sold, town decides

By Peter Crosby

The Habermehl House which has served Didsbury for almost 40 years as both a nursing home for the elderly and lately as a lodge for the less fortunate, will be shut down and sold within two years, town council decided last Tuesday.

Coun. Neville Marshall noted the house was on a list of town-owned properties for sale. He said a neighbor was interested in buying part of the property to build a new garage.

"I think we have to decide if we want to wind the operation down or keep putting more money into it," said Coun. Doug Sharpe.

Council agreed with Coun. Al Engel's suggestion that no new tenants be allowed, effective immediately, and that the house be sold in two years. Don and Susan Habermehl, who reside at the house while looking after those in their care, just returned from holidays and learned of the decision Sept. 9. They have succeeded Don's parents in operating the house which was donated to the town in the early 1950's.

They were awaiting a letter from the town with details of the decision but were clearly upset.

"We need some time to see what's happened," was Mr. Habermehl's initial reaction.

But he said his immediate concern was for the three men who now live at the house, including Teddy Jones who has lived there for 20 years and is the unofficial doorman at the Didsbury post office.

"Where are they going to go?" Mr. Habermehl asked. Initially, the house was run as a seniors lodge or nursing home with up to 25 residents, and was under the direction of a board of directors. The board disbanded when the Kinsmen Manor opened.

The Habermehls had sent a letter to council expressing their concerns about the possibility of the property being sold.

They said they had learned about the town's intention to sell the property in "a round about way" and suggested the town should discuss the matter with them first. When contacted Monday, they showed how much

work they've put into renovating the interior of the house and told of plans for future upgrading. "The facility is owned by the town, we pay the utilities and taxes," said Coun. Marshall. "But we don't know what's happening there," Coun. Sharpe said the roof was leaking and was in need of extensive repairs. "I'm not opposed to getting rid of something that has become a liability," he said.

"Mr. Habermehl suggests that this isn't fair but this [maintaining the house and land and selling it in two years] is," Mayor Don Watt suggested to council.

March 7, 1995

## Didsbury approved for Main Street program

by Janice Harrington

Review Editor

After several years of applying, Didsbury has finally been approved for the Alberta government's Main

Street program:

The Main Street program is a funding program aimed at helping small community businesses revitalize their store fronts and re-establish their link with the town's history. Money is available to indi-

vidual store owners to revamp their store front image on a case by case basis.

Claude Baril, chairman of the Didsbury Business Revitalization Zone said the program will go a long way towards plans for restoring the

main street area in Didsbury's core.

"This is exciting, but somewhat anticlimactic since businesses have been trying to get this for something like five years," he said. "But now the biggest amount of work is to come."

## the Villas On... College Green

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# Focus on the Family



**QUESTION:** I'm having the hardest time trying to teach my boys about honesty and truthfulness. I talk and talk to them, and it just doesn't seem to do much good. What would you advise?

**DR. DOBSON:** Someone once said, "I'd rather see a sermon than hear one." There is truth to this statement. Children may not remember what you say, but they are usually impacted for life by what you do. Consider the task of teaching your boys to be honest, for example. Yes, you should teach what the Scripture says about truthfulness, but you should also look for opportunities to live according to that standard of righteousness.

I'm reminded of something that happened several years ago in Georgia, when the Bulldogs of Rockdale County High School overcame a big deficit to win the state basketball championship. Coach Cleveland Stroud couldn't have been more proud of his team. But a few days later, while watching the game films of the playoffs, he noticed that there was an ineligible player on the court for 45 seconds during one of the games. He called the Georgia High School Association and reported the violation, costing the school the title and the trophy.

When asked about it at a press conference, Coach Stroud said: "Some people have said that we should have kept quiet about it. That it was just 45 seconds, and that the player wasn't really an impact player. But you gotta do what's honest and right. I told my team that people forget the scores of basketball games. They don't ever forget what you're made out of."

You can be certain that every member of the Bulldogs' team will remember the character of Coach Stroud. A letter to the editor of the local newspaper summed it up well. "We have scandals in Washington and cheating on Wall Street. Thank goodness we live in Rockdale County, where honor and integrity are alive and being practiced."

Your boys need to see you doing what is right, even when it is inconvenient to do so.

**QUESTION:** I'm a single mom who's labored, sweated, prayed, cried, scrimped, saved, cooked, cleaned, taught and shepherded my children through numerous crises without the help of a husband or father for my kids. I'm having a very difficult time of letting go now that they are grown. Do you have any words of wisdom for me?

**DR. DOBSON:** My office at Focus on the Family sits across the valley from the U.S. Air Force Academy. From there, I can see the cadets as they train to be pilots and officers. I particularly enjoy watching the gliders soaring through the heavens. The only way those graceful yellow crafts can fly is to be tethered to a powered plane that takes them up to where they can catch a wind current. Then they disengage and sail free and alone until returning to land.

While watching that beautiful spectacle one day, I recognized an analogy between flying and child rearing as a single parent. There is a time when your children need to be towed by the "mother plane." If that assistance were not available, or if it were not accepted, the "glider" would never get off the ground. But, inevitably, there comes an appropriate moment for a young pilot to disengage and soar free and alone in the blue heavens. Both operations are necessary for successful flight.

If you as a parent are not there for your kids when they are young, they are likely to remain "grounded" for life. On the other hand, if they stay tethered to you as young adults, they will never experience the thrill of independent flight. Letting go not only gives freedom to your grown son or daughter but allows you to soar as well. It's all part of the divine plan.

by Tyrone Patten

Well, here we are, half way through summer. I have said it many times before, and I'll say it again, where does the time go? Before you know it, I'll be writing about, well, never mind, it will come soon enough.

In the last article, I mentioned that the ball team was getting ready to start playing, unfortunately, due to other commitments by many of the player's, the team has had to fold.

They did play a few games, some they won, some they lost. Maybe next year, things will work out differently.

At the end of June, we welcomed our newest member, Josh Braun.

Josh just finished high school, and brings with him a lot of desire and enthusiasm. Welcome Josh.

We were called to a motor vehicle collision recently, and I heard some chatter from some of the bystanders about the number of fire de-

partment vehicles that we brought.

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married October 31, 1932. Most of Gordon's working years were spent at the local Crystal Dairy making butter and grading cream for which he won many certificates of merit. His highlight was winning first prize at the Toronto Winter Fair. Gordon was a faithful member of the Missionary Church. He was a devoted husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather

who always cared deeply about others. He will be sadly missed by his son, Lambert of Sundre; two daughters Donna (Roy) Luft and Nadine Luft of Didsbury; 15 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren; 2 brothers Arnold (Ruth), Ward (Harriet) as well as numerous nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his parents

Ezra and Cora Sherick; brothers Clifford, Russell and Verdo; sisters Laura Dyck, Edith and Marion Sherick; son-in-law Leonard Luft and daughter-in-law Mary Sherick. Funeral services were held on Thursday, July 28, 2005 at 2:00 p.m. in the Zion Evangelical Missionary Church, Didsbury with Pastor Grant Sikstrom and Reverend Willard Swalm officiating.

Interment followed in the Didsbury Cemetery. Memorial donations may be made directly to the Canadian Diabetes Association or the Zion Evangelical Missionary Church Special Projects Fund. As a tribute to Gordon Sherick, a tree will be planted in the Heartland Tree Memorial Park, Olds. Heartland Funeral Services Ltd., Olds entrusted with arrangements.

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COMMUNITY SERVICES AND EVENTS



## DIDSBURY

**Didsbury & District Community Bus Trip**  
Cash Casino Aug. 23/05. Cost is \$10.00. Bus leaves complex at 10:00 a.m. Phone Bea 335-3058 or Gen 335-3449 for reservations.

**Shower**  
Please join Michelle Finnigan and Nick Pavan for a Miscellaneous Shower at Westerdale Community Centre on Tuesday, August 9, 2005 at 7:00 p.m. Guys and gals welcome. Potluck lunch.

**Didsbury & District Community Bus Trip**  
Join us for our harvest special trip to Heritage Park, Calgary. Saturday, Sept. 10. Cost \$20.00 includes gate admission. Bus leaves complex at 10:00 a.m. Call Bea 335-3058 or Gen 335-3449 for reservations.

**Darts**  
Every Sunday at the Elks Hall starting at 1:00 p.m. Everyone welcome to play.

## DIDSBURY

**Didsbury & District Community Bus Trip**  
Pack a picnic lunch & join us on our annual fall tour to see all the beautiful fall colors. On Thurs. Sept. 15/05. Cost \$12.00 (supper your cost). Call Bea 335-3058 or Gen 335-3449 for reservations.

**Hockey Registration**  
Didsbury Minor Hockey Registration and Equipment Swap Tues. Aug. 16, 2005 from 7 - 9 p.m. Multipurpose Room. For more info call Call Val Facey 335-1996 or Bonnie Youngs 335-8222.

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**Padnoma Grocery Service**  
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The Fallen Timber Community Hall offers an ideal place for quiet safety meetings or fabulous social activities. Please contact Esther McMullen for more info at 637-2270.

**Overeaters Anonymous**  
Support meetings will be postponed for the summer. Meetings to commence again Sept. 13/05. Sorry for any inconvenience. Call Maureen at 335-1965 for further information.

*These organizations would like to thank the DIDSBURY REVIEW as well as all the LOCAL BUSINESSES advertising on this page who together make this Community Calendar possible. Your support in providing this 'free of charge' service to all non-profit organizations is greatly appreciated.*

## ONGOING EVENTS

**SPECIAL FAMILIES RESOURCE ASSOCIATION**  
Support for families/caregivers of special needs children. Meetings now held on the 3rd Thurs. of every month in the Didsbury Hospital in the Educational Conference Room at 7 p.m. For more information contact Cindy at 335-4123.

**CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**  
Didsbury Chamber of Commerce meets the 2nd Thursday each month. For more info please call 335-3265.

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Take Off Pounds Sensibly! Come and join us every Wednesday evening. For more info call Stacey at 335-4487 or Rosemary 335-2835.

**ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD**  
Didsbury Environmental Advisory Board meets once every month at the Town Office. For info call the Town Office 335-3391.

**BEAVER'S**  
Beaver's Tues. 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. at Eldon Foote Hall. Kids 5 to 7 years old, boys and girls welcome.

**DIDSBURY MUSEUM**  
New Fall hours: Tues., Wed., Thurs., 12:30 - 4:30 p.m. Saturday: 1 - 5 p.m., special occasions & anytime by appointment. Please call Joan Court at 335-8392 or Larry Hunsperger at 335-3284.

**TOY LIBRARY**  
Why buy when you can borrow? Many toys available to take home for 2 weeks at a time. Call Kern at 335-9928 for more information. Brought to you by the Child & Youth Clubs of Didsbury.

**AA**  
Alcoholics Anonymous meetings. Fridays 8:30 p.m. at the Masonic Hall, Didsbury, 21 Ave. and 21 St. For information call Colleen at 335-8484 or Rick at 335-9525.

**TIME OUT**  
Child & Youth Clubs of Didsbury's Mom's Time Out and Dads Too program. At Knox United Church, Mondays 10-11:30 a.m. Nominal babysitting fee. Call 335-9107 or 335-9372 for more information.

**KING HIRAM LODGE**  
King Hiram Lodge#21 has its regular meetings at 8 p.m. every 2nd Tuesday of the month.

**O.E.S. MEETING**  
St. Hilda Chapter #27 O.E.S. has its regular meetings at 7:30 p.m. every 3rd Tuesday of the month. For info. Call Marg Steckler at 335-4281

**HOME HELP ASSOCIATION**  
The Didsbury & District Senior Support Services co-ordinates assistance for seniors. Call 335-4391.

**SONS OF NORWAY**  
Sons of Norway meets the 4th Monday of every month at 8 p.m. at Evergreen Centre in Olds. All welcome. Call 556-2401 or 337-2037 for more information.

**CASH BINGO**  
Didsbury Elks Cash Bingo every Tuesday. Doors open 6:00 p.m., Nickel Bingo at 6:45. Regular Bingo at 7:30 p.m. Didsbury Elks Hall.

**LEARNING DISABILITIES**  
Learning Disabilities of Alberta, Mtn. View Chapter. Support and info for parents and teachers dealing with learning disabilities. For info call Susan at 335-3174.

**GAMBLERS ANONYMOUS**  
Gamblers Anonymous (G.A.) starting Monday, January 22 from 7 - 9 p.m. in the Assembly Room at the Hospital Unit 4.

**DIDSBURY PRESCHOOL**  
is now accepting registrations for 2005-2006 school year. This non-profit organization offers educational and social programming for children 3 to 5 years old. For information or to register your child, please call: Cherrie 335-8818 or 335-8039

**DIDSBURY-DIAL-A-BUS**  
Scheduled transportation for anyone on Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays 9 - 3. Please call day prior or by 8:00 a.m. for pick up. 507-0208. Wheelchair accessible. Sponsored by the Didsbury Lions Club.

**INFORMATION**  
Mountain View La Leche League, a group which offers information and support for breastfeeding mothers. We also meet the 3rd Tuesday mornings of every month 10 a.m. Olds Scout Hall. Phone 556-3807 for information.

**DIDSBURY MENTAL HEALTH CLINIC**  
Provides free accessible mental health services. Which incl. assessments, individual family & group counselling & crisis intervention. Mon. to Fri. 8:30-4:00.

**OLDS MEETING**  
Adoption Support Group of Olds and area meet the 3rd Tuesday of every month. For more information contact Susan at 335-8540.

## OLDS

**Mountain View Mens Floor Hockey**  
We play Friday nights at 7:00 at Deer Meadows School in Olds. 16+. Call Byron 335-2229.

**Mountain View Sheep Producers**  
Meetings on the first Monday of each month from October to June, at 7:30 p.m. in Olds. Call Sue at 335-9477 for more information.

**Sundre Toastmasters**  
Meetings every Thursday at 7:00 p.m. in Sundre. Call Sue at 335-9477 for more information.

## W.H.O.A.S

Wild Horses of Alberta Society. Help preserve these magnificent animals in their natural environment. Meetings are the first Tues. of every month at Olds Cow Palace, 8 p.m. Call Doreen at 556-6167 for more information.

## DIDSBURY

**5-0 Club Hall Rentals**  
For hall rentals &/or info regarding the hall please call Bea Niedersteiner 335-3058.

**Hall rental**  
To rent Mountain View Community Hall for meetings, community events, family or group reunions call John 335-8860.

**Citizens on Patrol**  
Didsbury/Carstairs. Driving in a neighbourhood near you. To volunteer call 335-8755.

**Growing Opportunities**  
"GO" is a Canada Prenatal Nutrition Program that offers services to pregnant women and teens. Staff are on site every second Friday. 335-7292.

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